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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/683,417
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Enclosed please find a response to the May 11, 2006 Office Action in the above referenced application.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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This communication is submitted in response to the May 11, 2006 Office Action ("Office Action"). Entry of the following amendment and consideration of the enclosed remarks are respectfully requested. The following sections are enclosed:

1. Amendment to the Claims; and
2. Remarks.

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